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'Now this is what I call comfort,' Sould make you rain, I suppose?" said Madge Harley or rise sat down Morges colored, and all the more by her neighbou's firm one evening ; when she perceived that William have you are at your sowing, with Maxion had engin in quitaly, and the kettle steeming on the hob, and was now stending behind Janet's the tex-things on the table, expecting chair. This of course put an end to Cull, of that sixy every minute to logic year husband's the conversation. Madge retired to step, and see his kind face look in at her own soom to think of Junet's the Wille of November last. She the door. Ah I if my kindand was words, and to conic-s correctly that touched at Yokokama, Japan, and

be would be still more so if you took world; and having married Madge

in the purish, and yet he never stays grown very cold to each other, so night as happy as can be!

with a deep sight 'It's misery to hastened toward; his cottage. He

my law giver.

'And do you rea'ly think,' exelained Madge in surprise, 'That Some change had come to Madge he husbands care for that sert of was very sure. She wore a dress he

Junet.

ferent and values his wife's loves me!' cried John.

earth, if men men but give their

Just so,' said Janet, 'do you ever feel like that now?

'... I don't know,' said Madge :

Love do you mean ' naked Janet.

foolish

I want is that wives should let their

much attention."

then married with the rotion that it she bowed her head and prayed. is not good for John to believe you love him ?'

you care too much for them.' hu-bands in general, but of yours in

self already, I assure you.

would it do you any harm to receive Miss. a little more attention from your husband? "Of course not. I wish he'd trg,' terribly-Talmage.

They you don't think enough of justself already T. and nothing

they water wise.

'He is like wine in many of his Hones passed before John Harley ways" said Janet, with a smile, and returned home. He was a man of if you will allow not to speak plainty, pand abilities, and well to do in the because he truly loved her, he lost espected to have a happy home. But out nouse is as clean as pour's; I partly because he was reserved and mend my bushands clother and cook screening and partly because Madge his diaper as carefully as any woman feared to make bias vain, they had at home of an evening, whilst you cold that John began to think the sit here by your cheerful night after ale house a more comfortuide place than his own firmide.

That aight the min fell is torrents til mid-night hour had arrived, that 'I wish you would, said Madge Harley left the public-house and was wet through and when he at length had crossed the threshold, I c was as he graffly muttered 'used to that ; ' but he was not ' used ' to the tone and look with which his wife drew near to welcome him, nor to find warm clothes, and slippers on for late hours, and neglect, and dirty lootmarks as he sat in the armchair. had bought her years ago, with a For love do you mean? asked neat linen collar around the neck, and had a cap, trimmed with ribbons,

on her head. 'You're smart, Madge, he exclaim of married life to make them think ed at last when he had stared at her of a wife as sort of maid of-all work.' for some time in silence. Who has ' A libel, Madge,' said Mrs. Ma- been here worth dressing for to-

"No one until you came, said Madge half laughing.

'I! Nonsense; you didn't dress for

You wont believe it, perhaps, but I did. I have been talking with Mrs So now John, what would you like for your supper ? '

John, who was wont to steal to the shelf at night and content with himself with anything he could find, hearts to Christ. I know John did thought Madge's offer too excellent to be refused, and very soon a large bowl of chocalate was steaming on the table. Then she sat down, for a wonder, by his side, and talked a little, and looked pleased when at last he said as I he cou'd not help

if 'Dear old Madge!' That was enough; her clow some how found its way to the arm of his great chair, and she sat quietly lookirg at the fire. After a while John spoke again :

'Madge, dear, do you remember the days when we used to sit side by side in your mother's kitchen ?"

I was a young man then, Madge, and as they told me handsome; now I am growing older, plainer, duller. No, but what people call being Then you-you loved me; do you ones 48. He further states that prop-

love me still ? ' She looked up in his face, and her eves answered him. It was like go-But some people are ridiculously ing back to the old days to feel his before others,' reasoned arm around her as her head lay on his shoulder, and to hear once again That proves they want sense. I the kind words meant for her ear

She never once asked if this would make him vain" she knew as if hy inhusbands know they are still loved. ' stinet, that it was making him a wiser off, the timber will be found well But men are so vain, 'said Madge a more thoughtful, more earnest heartthat it is dangerous to show them ed man. And when after a happy si all the moisture in the wood. lence he took kown the big Bible, and Her friend looked up, 'Oh Madge read a chapter as he had been wont what are you saying? Have you to read to her mother in former times

Yes prayed-for pardon, through the blood of Jesus Christ-for strength to fulfil every duty in the ' Say I and him ; do not talk of future-for the all-powerful influence of the Spirit, for blessings on her husband evermore.

She prayed and not in vain. -[British Workman.

When the devil does get into man's heart, he feels that his stay must be short, and he flies around Days in Mid-Ocean,

A payenger by the Paritie Mail stoomship Ching, which arrived as Ban-Francisco on the 15th ult., after a delay which eaged a great deal of anyiety, has furnished the following nars

of a murder near Hockport, Mahlenlorg enusty, Kentucky, appeared in sailve of the verage to the Metalog the Consists Journal. Dedley White, fetter to the friend saying that if he "The steamship left Hung Kong on noon. She was very doubly laden, and proceeded rulely notif Describer Grespellie kill by a band of mon and she immediately proceeded to don the 10. At 4.50 the engine broke down, Langed. A correspondent writes with trinkets and start to singley school and was stopped, in latitude for degs. a great deal of exercities, accom- with the chosen feller" of her hearl-14m, north, longitude 175 degs. 50m. west; the weather being nearly calm. spirits of both the executed murderer were startled by the apparation of the the ship was for a while kept before and his virtim make regular and oft- lost lover, clad in ghostly white, but the wind, and finally laid to. The repeated visits to the scope of the with the old linearpeats lated. The wheels were lashed, the fires bankeds bloody trapedly. A few nights ago, young man fied, but the girl stood steam was blown off, and the machine according to the writer, a rouple of still, and putting up a paw which reery allowed time to coul, after which young men living in the neighbor- sembled an elephant's foot, naively the cylinder head was raised and a hood rode by the house of the mur- inquired if the ghost wanted to be thorough casmination was made by dezer, and they relate that just as kicked to death by a mule, To which Mr. Ojada, the chief engineer, who re- they were passing the place, Dudley his ghostship replied thus; " Lord I ported that the thread of the serse came out from the yard, looking "as Lord! Jerusha, her I come all the by which the piston rod was screwed natural as life" and walked between way home to find you false?" "You vertically into the piston had been their horses, keeping company with bet," replied the fair one, laughing tern away, and the lejury could only them for some distance, frequently heartly, for she had discovered that be repaired by drilling a hole through changing his position, sometimes it was really the person of her dead the juston-rod and that portion of the walking around and under their hor- lover, nut next above the cylinder, and by ses. On their return by the same The fellow had played a nice game, making and inserting through it a road, they again saw the apparation, and had followed his goods and chatlarge fron key at right angles, thus And it acted as before. When the tles back to the land of his nativity firmly securing the rod to the piston. negro was found hanging to a limb, very quickly. The damsel was so dis The true condition of the damage the next day after his execution, he gusted with the other fellow for runhaving been fully ascertained, the was taken down and "laid out" in an uing at sight of the ghost that she chief engineer drew his working plans old house near by. It is said that he immediately began preparations to and figured the amount of time and is now often seen at this house, pass marry the ghost. labor necessary. He reported that ing up and down stairs and moving eight days and nights would be re- about in a restless and mysterious splender of Official Life in Washington quired to fully effect the repairs, as manner. Mr. Youts, who is said, to many of the tools necessary would be one of the most reliable and rehave to be manufactured on board. spectable gentlemen in the neighbor- tion at Secretary Beiknap's, was jone With these, and the spare tools usual- hood, has often s en the murdered of the finest, if not the finest of the ly fornished to steamers for use affect white man near his house. The ghost season. Mrs. Belknap herself is the 270 cubic inches of iron were to be ly visitor is generally seen walking most beautiful woman in Wastington dritted out, and the gigantie size of the machinery rendered the task a passing at intervals of every few is a brunette, with a brilliantly fresh formidable one to accomplish at sea, minutes the spot of ground upon complexion, and soft, speaking eyes. The fires in the main boilers were ex- which he was murdered. Mr. Youts Her form is perfect, and so is her tinguished, and the vessel anchored has become greatly annoyed by these dress; but I cannot go into detail. I to a patent diag, with a couple of hundred fathoms of cable attached, in of moving from the neighborhood. pression of harmony and good taste. which condition she lay to nearly The affair has created a great sensa. Mrs. Belkmap is said to have the most eight days, drifting about, nearly in a tion in that section of the country, exquisite taste of any woman in Washrele, with variable winds, which as and especially among the blacks, who lington one time blew quite fresh from the are quite numerous in the immediate eastward, and forced the stenmer neighborhood of the murder. within 120 miles of Brooks's Midway Island, where the Pacific Mail Steam-INFLUENCE OF FEMALES .- It is betship Company have creeted buildings and keep a supply of coal and provisions, placed there as a port of re-

and twenty-three hours, or one hour the pit of a theater. All amusement before promised, the giant beam bowof youth to which virtuous woman ed towards the east, the wheels turnare not admitted, rely on it, are deleed over, and the China, then seventyterious in their nature. All men who three miles northward of the position avoid female society have dall persi in which she broke down, moved on ceptions and are stupid, or have gross towards California. tastes, and revolt against what is TIME TO CUT TIMBER .-- Dr. Hartpure. Your cluo swaggerers, who ing, who has made numerous experiare sucking the butts of billiard cues ments to determine the point, states that March and April are the best months in which to cut timber for beauty has no charms for a blind man; gold spoons. building purposes, as it then contains music does not please a poor beast its lowest per cent. of moisture, which who does not know one tune from anhe states to be 47 per cent. Daring the three previous months it has 51 ever tired of water, sancey, and change: per cent, and in the three following erly seasoned timber should not contain more than 20 to 25 per cent. of moisture, and never less than 10 per cent. If the moisture is removed to a still greater extent the wood loses its strength and becomes brittle. An English authority states that if trees are felled as soon as they are in full leaf, and allowed to remain undisturbed until the leaves dry up and fall seasoned, the leaves having exhausted -[Boston Lumber Trade.

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pales to make him errefortable."

'A happy as can be on sarth,' said her friend gravely; 'Yes, and shall the winds howled, and it was not an-I tell you the secret of it Madge?"

live as I do now. ' 'Well then,' said Janet, speaking slowly and distinctly. 'I let my busband see that I love him still, and that I learn every day to love him more. Love is the claim that binds him to his home. The world may think it folly, but the world is not the hearth; nor to hear no repreach

thing ?

'Yes, they don't feel at all as we do, Janet, and it don't take many years

ton, laughing; 'I wont allow you night;' to sit in Willian's chair if you talk 'No, because your husband is dif-

while John cares for me only as his 'i don't think that,' said Janet, although I know that he said to my given me some very good advice. hus band the other day that courting time was the happiest of a man's life. William reminded him that there is greater happiness than that, even on

not alter his opinion, but he went away still thinking of his courting time as of a joy too great to be ex-Dear fellow, " cried Madge, smiling through her tears, 'I do believe he was happy then. I remember I

used to listen for his steps as I sat with my dear mother by the fire longing for the happiness of seeing him.

Madge hesitated. 'Well, no, not exactly. '

' And why not?' married people give up that sort of

entimental, 'said Mrs. Harley. Longing to see your husband is a proper sentiment, ' replied Janet.

am not likely to approve of that, as alone William would soon tell you; all

'No, but it is not wise to show that

partleular! 'He thinks quite enough of him-

'Dear Madge,' said Janet, smiling

Correspondence of the Hartford Times. Washington, Feb. 2 .- The recepabout the road near Mr. Youts' house -at lea t so far as I have seen. She ghostly visits, and is it is said talking only know that it left a general im-

Her mansion is in faultless taste with its crimson and gold paper hangings, its Turkey velvet and Persian carpets, its ottomans and sofas ter for you to pass an evening once or in crimson and blue satin, its chairs twice a week in a lady's drawing of various styles-some with backs of room, even though the conversation gilded bars (tell the printer not to get that "gilded brass"), its inhid is slow, and you know the girl's song mosaic tables, its heavy stain curtains by heart, than in a club, a tavern, or its crystal chandeliers, i's Sevres clocks and voses, and many other things I can't recall, going to make up a scene of exquisite refinement and taste, where were blended the odors of rare flowers scattered everywhere.

In the dinning room we sat down for a little refreshment, for we could not resist the temptatian of a cup of all night, call female society insipid. coffee in the exquisite little sea green Poetry is uninspiring to a yokel; and white China cups, with their tiny

A CONFIDENTIAL DRINK .- We find other; but as a true enicure is hardly the following good story in an exbrown bread and butter ; I protest I | Confidential .- We hear a good stocan sit for a whole night talking to a ry of a man who went to the frontier well regulated kindly woman about to see a friend. The family consisted

her girl Fanny, or her boy Frank, and of the husband and his two grown like the evening's entertainment. One sons. The good old lady was the of the great benefits a man may de- only one of the family who did not rive from women's society is that he take a little of the "Oh be joyful." is bound to be respectful to her. The Sitting by the fire a less minutes, the habit is of great good to your moral old man tipped him a wink, and the men, depend upon it. Our education visitor followed him out. Stopping makes of us the most eminently selfish by v tree, he pulled out a long-necked men in the world. We fight for our- bottle remarking, "I have to keep it selves, we push for ourselves, we yawn hid, for the boys may get to drinking for ourselves, we light our pipes and and the old woman would raise the say we won't go out, we prefer our- deuce." They took a drink and reselves, and our ease; and the greatest turned to the fireside. Soon Tom, good that comes to man from wo- the elder son, asked the visitor out to man's society is that he has to think see a colt, and taking him behind the of somebody to whom he is bound to barn, pulled out a flask, remarking. be constantly attentive and respectful "I have to keep this hid, for the old man will get drunk, and the dence is to play," and they both took a drink and returned. Soon Bob stepped on the visitor's toes and walked off, the visitor tollowing. As they reached the pig-pen, Beb drew out a goodsized bottle, remarking "You know the old man and Tom will get dronk, and I have to hide this." The visi-Patti sang at the marriage of the for concluded he could not drink con-Dake of Edinburgh, and her sweet fidentially with the whole family and started for home.

-[Thackeray.

A man in Fayette county, Penn.,

read in an almanac that his feet could

be kept warm by lining his boot with

Cayenne peper. He don't feel much

like walking, now, but he says he

would like 'to find the man who -put

voice charmed the royal crowd.